ABSOLUTE RATING: Below Average IMPROVEMENT RATING: Unsatisfactory

Number of middle schools with students similar to ours: 42. The absolute ratings for those schools ranged from unsatisfactory to average. For the improvement ratings, the range was from unsatisfactory to excellent.

RATINGS OVER A 4-YEAR PERIOD

Absolute Rating Improvement Rating Below Average Unsatisfactory

(Definitions of School Rating Terms on Page 4)

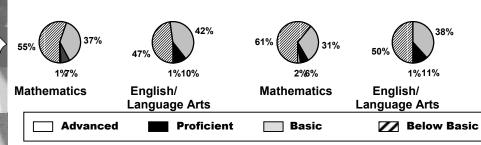
PALMETTO ACHIEVEMENT CHALLENGE TESTS (PACT) RESULTS

Our School

2001

2002 2003 2004

Schools With Students Like Ours



DEFINITIONS OF CRITICAL TERMS:

- Advanced Student performance exceeded expectations.
- Proficient Student performance met expectations.
- Basic Student performance met minimum performance expectations.
- Below Basic Student performance did not meet minimum performance expectations.

Science scores are to be reported on 2004 School Report Cards. Social studies scores are to be reported on 2005 School Report Cards.

PERCENT OF STUDENTS SCORI		OVE ON THE	PACT	
	English/			Social
Student Group	Language Arts	Math	Science	Studies
All students (n=287)	52.3%	44.6%	N/A	N/A
Students with disabilities other than				
Speech (n=N/A)	N/A	N/A		
Students without disabilities (n=287)	52.3%	44.6%		
Gender				
Male (n=167)	47.3%	38.9%		
Female (n=120)	59.2%	52.5%		
Ethnic Group				
African American (n=232)	55.2%	46.1%		
Hispanic (n=22)	N/A	N/A		
White (n=31)	48.4%	41.9%		
Other (n=2)	N/A	N/A		
Lunch Status Group				
Free/reduced-price Lunch (n=241)	51.5%	44.8%		
Pay for lunch (n=46)	56.5%	43.5%		

SCHOOL PROFILE INDICATORS OF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

	Our School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median Middle School
SCHOOL				
 Dollars spent per student 	\$4,973	N/A	\$5,452	\$5,127
 Prime instructional time 	89.3%	Up from 88.2%	87.1%	89.6%
 Student-teacher ratio 	21.1 to 1	N/A	21.1 to 1	21.4 to 1
in core subjects				
STUDENTS (n=316)				
Attendance rate	95.2%	Down from 95.3%		95.7%
 Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (ELA) off grade level 	4.5%	N/A	9%	4.5%
 Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (math) off grade level 	4.9%	N/A	8.8%	4.0%
Retention rate	4.8%	Up from 0.8%	7.2%	4.5%
TEACHERS (n=23)				
 Professional Development days per teacher 	9.2 Days	Up from 6.8	8.9 Days	8.0 Days
Attendance Rate	94.8%	Up from 93.8%	93.9%	95.2%
 Teachers with advanced degrees 	34.8%	Down from 36.4%	43.3%	45.8%
 Continuing contract teachers 	69.6%	Down from 73.9%	73.9%	80.8%
 Teachers with out-of-field permits 	0%	No change	3.3%	2.4%
 Teachers returning from the previous school year 	84.9%	Up from 84.1%	80.3%	83.7%
Average teacher salary	\$37,338	Up 4.7%	\$35,931	\$37,455

SCHOOL FACTS

	Our School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median Middle School
SCHOOL				
Dropout rate	0%	N/A	0%	0.0%
 Percentage of expenditures spent on teacher salaries 	65.8%	N/A	61.9%	61.5%
 Principal's years at the school 	l 13	N/A	2	3.0
 Parents attending conferences 	99%	N/A	76.5%	78.2%
 Opportunities in the arts 	Good	N/A	Good	Good
STUDENTS				
On academic plans	N/A	N/A	63.7%	45.8%
 On academic probation 	N/A	N/A	0%	0.0%
 Older than usual for grade 	7.3%	Up from 5.8%	7.4%	4.5%
 Suspended or expelled 	44	N/A	23	15
Enrolled in high school credit courses	40.3%	N/A	8.9%	13.2%
Gifted and talented	0%	N/A	6.6%	12.1%
With disabilities other than speech	0%	N/A	15.6%	13.6%



PRINCIPAL'S / SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL REPORT

Our theme for Haut Gap Middle School has been "From Good To Excellent." Striving to become better has led us to focus on the areas of academic gain and achievement, student concerns, communication, curriculum and parent involvement. Our performance on the Palmetto Achievement Challenge Test has shown both growth and improvement in student performance. We wish to continue our success through staff development, curriculum improvement in math and reading, and continued assistance from the PTSA and School Community Council.

Haut Gap Middle School serves the community of Johns and Wadmalaw Islands and the resort islands of Kiawah and Seabrook. The school draws its population of 320 students from rural families. Academic programs, such as honors, self-contained, resource and ESL, provide for the school's diverse population. Over 85% of the students participate in the Free and Reduced Lunch Program. The ethnic population of the school is approximately 82% African-American, 10% Caucasian and 8% Hispanic and other groups.

To meet the needs and concerns of the school's population, Haut Gap Middle School is a part of the 21st Century Grant After-School Program. This program offers skills classes to assist students, involves students in the study of Latin, and focuses on improving student performance in math and reading through a variety of instructional approaches. Through the community, Our Lady of Mercy sponsors Cultural Experience, our drum, dance, and discipline project. This program gives students the opportunity to be academically creative, to participate in the arts, and to experience community involvement and awareness. Our Lady of Mercy and the Haut Gap Middle School PTSA have been recognized by the State Department of Education for their support of student learning.

Roberta M. Frasier, Principal

EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

Percent	Teachers	Students	Parents
Satisfied with learning environment	45.8	68.3	(Avail. 2002)
Satisfied with social and physical environment	73.9	71.2	
Satisfied with home-school relations	52.4	76.2	

DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

Excellent – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Good – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Average – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Below Average – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Unsatisfactory – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Haut Gap Middle 1861 Bohicket Road John's Island. SC 29455

Grades 6-8 Middle School

Enrollment: 316 Students

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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Annual School
Report Card

2001

School Grade: Unsatisfactory

South Carolina Performance Goal:

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the five fastest improving systems in the country.

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